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SUBJECT: RHODESIAN CHROME: CERTIFICATION AGREEMENTS

REF: (A) STATE 154480, (B) MANILA 9359, (C) STATE 137738

1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL A, EMBASSY DELIVERED A SECOND DIPLOMATIC NOTE TO DFA JULY 6 ENCLOSING A COPY OF PROPOSED COUNTRY-WIDE CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR CHROME BEARING MATERIALS, WHICH WERE JUST RECENTLY POUCHED TO EMBASSY BY EB/OT/STA, AND URGING THE GOP TO INSTRUCT ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN WASHINGTON TO NEGOTIATE CERTIFICATION ARRANGEMENTS WITH FAC BEFORE JULY 18.

2. MR. TOMAS SYQUIA, PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT, OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THANKED EMBOFF FOR THE DRAFT AGREEMENT AND SAID DFA WAS AWAITING RECEIPT OF THE DRAFT FROM ITS EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON BEFORE TAKING ACTION ON OUR FIRST NOTE. HE SAID THE MATTER MUST NOW BE CONSIDERED BY THE NEDA INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON TARIFFS, TRADE AND RELATED MATTERS BEFORE THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON CAN BE INSTRUCTED TO TAKE ACTION. MR. SYQUIA ASKED EMBOFF TO
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RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO TREASURY AND ADDED THAT DFA WOULD SEND EMBASSY NOTE REQUESTING AN EXTENSION OF THE JULY 18 DEADLINE.

3. EMBOFF NOTED THAT THE MATTER WAS NOT A COMPLICATED ONE AND WOULD IN NO WAY THREATEN PHILIPPINE EXPORTS IF AN AGREE-
MENT IS REACHED SOON. INDEED, U.S. SUPPORT OF U.N. SANCTIONS

AGAINST RHODESIA WOULD PROBABLY GENERATE INCREASED
PHILIPPINE EXPORTS OF CHROMIUM MATERIALS AND THEREFORE
IT WAS IN THE PHILIPPINE INTEREST TO NEGOTIATE A CERTIFICATE
OF ORIGIN AGREEMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SYQUIA CONCURRED
AND SAID HE FORESEES NO DIFFICULTIES IN REACHING AN AGREE-
MENT, BUT NOTED THE MACHINERY OF GOVERNMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES
MOVES SLOWLY ON THESE TYPES OF OFFICIAL ACTS, HOWEVER SIMPLE.

4. EMBOFF DELIVERED COPY OF NOTE AND DRAFT AGREEMENT TO
SISENANDO SAMANIEGO, CHIEF, MINERAL ECONOMIC DIVISION,
BUREAU OF MINES JULY 7 IN HOPES OF GREASING THE MACHINERY
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